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In the claims:

- 1 9. (canceled)
- 10. (Currently amended) A headering arrangement for a heat exchanger for use in automotive applications, comprising:
 - a heat exchanger body part;
 - a heat exchanger tank part;
 - a header:
- a <u>plurality of tubes</u> extending from the heat exchanger body part, the tube passing through a slot provided in a header pan, the header pan disposed at an end of the tube, the header pan having a flat surface and defining a collar forming an upturned ferrule adjacent to the tube;
- <u>a header pan disposed at an end of the plurality of tubes, wherein the</u>

 <u>header pan i) includes a plurality of slots for receiving the plurality of tubes, ii) is a</u>

 <u>flat pan, and iii) defines a plurality of collars, each of the plurality of collars forming</u>

 a ferrule surrounding and in contact with a respective one of the plurality of tubes;
 - a tank foot at the end of the heat exchanger tank part; and a gasket;

wherein: the flat surface of the header pan and the tube form a gorge operatively configured to receive the gasket and the tank foot

each slot of the plurality of slots is formed with a respective one of the plurality of collars to accept a respective one of the plurality of tubes;

the plurality of tubes pass through the plurality of slots and maintain the tank foot in place; and

the plurality of collars is inverted in relation to a line of extension of the plurality of tubes.

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11. (Currently amended) A headering arrangement for a heat exchanger as

in claim 10, wherein the <u>plurality of tubes</u> extending from the heat exchanger body

part has a length of: less than twice the thickness of the header plus the tank foot

width of the header; or about twice the thickness of the header plus the tank foot

width of the header.

12. (Previously presented) A headering arrangement for a heat exchanger

as in claim 11, wherein the header pan further comprises at least one flat

medallion.

13. (Canceled)

14. (Previously presented) A headering arrangement for a heat exchanger

as in claim 13, wherein the gasket is essentially flat in shape.

15 - 16. (Canceled)